

SG DECIMAL POINT GRADING SYSTEM

APPLIES TO EVERYONE NEXT YEAR

The SG decimal point grading system will be initiated in September 1978 "across the board," according to SG academic committee chairman Dave Evans.

He reported that he received this information from Dr. Eugene Hammer, chairman of the faculty academic standing committee.

The system will establish the use of the grades 3.5, 2.5 and 1.5 in addition to the whole number increments currently being used. SG's intention is to allow the middle grade or average students to benefit by providing what it thinks is a more accurate reflection of their achievements.

However, Evans and Daryl Dwyer reported that they conducted an informal poll of the faculty by talking to 25 professors in the humanities and sciences, and found that a majority indicated they felt grades would decrease with the institution of decimal point grading. Science faculty members especially offered this view, according to Dwyer.

Evans also commented that he has been told by instructors that "no one's going to get A's any more," and that some professors may make a 98-100 average the criterion for a four.

Dean Edward Baltruchitus, SG

advisor, reported that Dean's Council has discussed the matter and has concluded that the system is "definitely going to hurt the average student."

SG members disagreed with this view and felt that in the long run the grading will be more accurate and that no overall increase or decrease in grades will occur.

They discussed the possibility of formulating a written set of grade standards to aid the faculty in grading, such as 93-100, 4; 88-92, 3.5; etc.; however, it was decided that this would restrict the academic freedom to which every

professor is entitled and would not be suitable for certain courses.

As final comments, Evans offered that preliminary student opinion is against the new grading system, and he also stated that he believes some faculty members misinterpreted remarks he made last week, and asked to be publically quoted as saying that he "never called the faculty stupid."

In other business, SG voted to accept a revised set of campus election regulations, which will be given a second vote next week and will go into effect if it is approved the second time.

John Senatore and Kim Dubosky, co-chairmen of the recent Winter Weekend, reported that the event was generally a big success and thanked Dave Evans, John Griffith, Greg Black, Jim Murtha and Ernie Rouse for their assistance. Senatore and Dubosky were officially thanked by SG for their accomplishments in running the weekend.

The body also granted 200 dollars to Cue 'N Curtain for a weekend trip to New York Feb. 24-26, and also awarded 100 dollars to the Nursing Student Organization for a New York excursion.

Wilma Hurst



Authority Approves

CC's Lower Rates

The Parking Authority of Wilkes-Barre last week unanimously approved the 50 cents a day rate for Wilkes students at Park & Lock South, as proposed by Commuter Council.

Beginning in March, students will be able to purchase a booklet of 20 coupons for ten dollars. These can be used by any student for any car until the end of the school year. This reportedly will make car pools easier to form as compared with the former monthly stickers which could not be transferred to other cars.

This new policy is also less expensive than the 12 dollar monthly stickers, since the 20 coupons will last the entire month even when used five school days a week. Although the system is designed to benefit commuters, dorm students can also save through the new policy, since campus parking lots are open on weekends for the student who must park seven days each week. Hours of discussion at CC

meetings resulted in the proposal of this policy, which CC President Louis DeRobertis submitted to Wilkes-Barre Mayor Walter Lisman. Lisman appointed Atty. R. McFadden to represent the council in a preliminary meeting which was followed by the meeting with the Parking Authority.

The council's plan was to give each student a sticker allowing him parking privileges, but this idea was turned down in favor of the coupon booklet approach. The council also hoped to keep the former system of the 12 dollar monthly parking sticker in addition to the new policy, but that also was rejected.

DeRobertis noted that one of the reasons the new policy was approved was that the Parking Authority was very pleased with the cooperation given by Wilkes students to the many people who had trouble during the recent snow emergencies.

Jim Edwards

Blood Day Next Thursday

Next Thursday may not be Christmas, but it is time for gift-giving. Blood Donor Day, sponsored by the Human Services Committee in conjunction with the Red Cross, will be held in the gym from 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

The second of three donor days banks are at critically low levels due to the usual outbreaks of winter illnesses and the unusual recent weather conditions. The current blood shortage has affected

the entire nation as well as Northeastern Pennsylvania.

According to Kathy Rickard, chairman of the Human Services Committee, only about three percent of the population donates blood in normal situations, and that percentage is sure to be lower at this time of the year.

The committee hopes to match the 325-pint result of the year's first drive, and is arranging to have extra people working from

11 a.m. - 1 p.m., the regular activity period. Michael Barth and Barb Landis are co-chairman for the drive.

A cash award of 25 dollars will be given to the dorm, club or organization with the highest percentage of donors, and a trophy will be awarded to the department with the highest percentage. The Biology department currently possesses that award.

Refreshments will also be provided for donors.

Basic requirements for donating are that the person be 18 years old, weigh at least 120 lbs. and be in good health.

Master Of Villians In CPA Next Week

Kids think of Vincent Price as a white-faced, black-clad vampire, serious theater-goers remember him for his commanding performance in Victoria Regina, TV fans know him as a gourmet cook, art connoisseur, game show contestant, and a popular narrator for symphony orchestras. He will come to Wilkes as a guest of the Concert and Lecture Series in a presentation entitled "Villians Still Pursue Me."

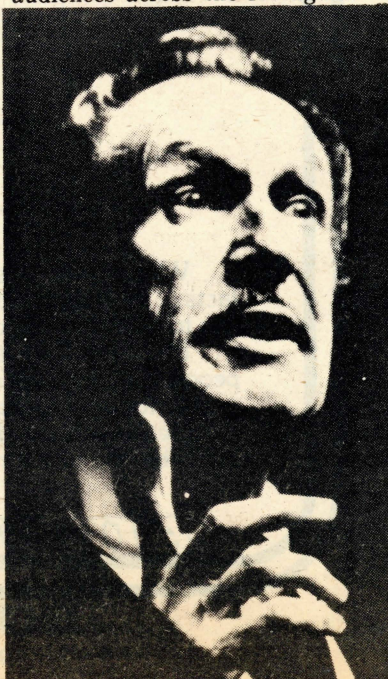
The one man presentation will be in the CPA on Wednesday, Feb. 8 at 8 p.m. The show is open to the public and is free of charge.

Born in Saint Louis, Vincent Price's initial aim in life was to become a teacher and collector of art, however, this was amended, when he tried out for and got a part in a small, theatrical venture in London. From that time on, his thoughts turned to, and have never left the theater.

Price studied art at Yale University and later, at University of London. Since those college days he has never lost the all consuming interest in art in all forms. He has traveled to many parts of the world, studying at first hand, the works of great masters in the arts past and

present.

He is a superlative master of drama and can be counted on to enthrall and delight capacity audiences across the footlights.



Vincent Price

The College has announced its policy concerning the cancelling of classes during hazardous weather conditions.

The Dean of External Affairs will obtain information concerning the weather conditions and will make a recommendation to the President. This recommendation should be made no later than 5:30 a.m. for the cancellation of day classes and no later than 3:30 p.m. concerning night classes.

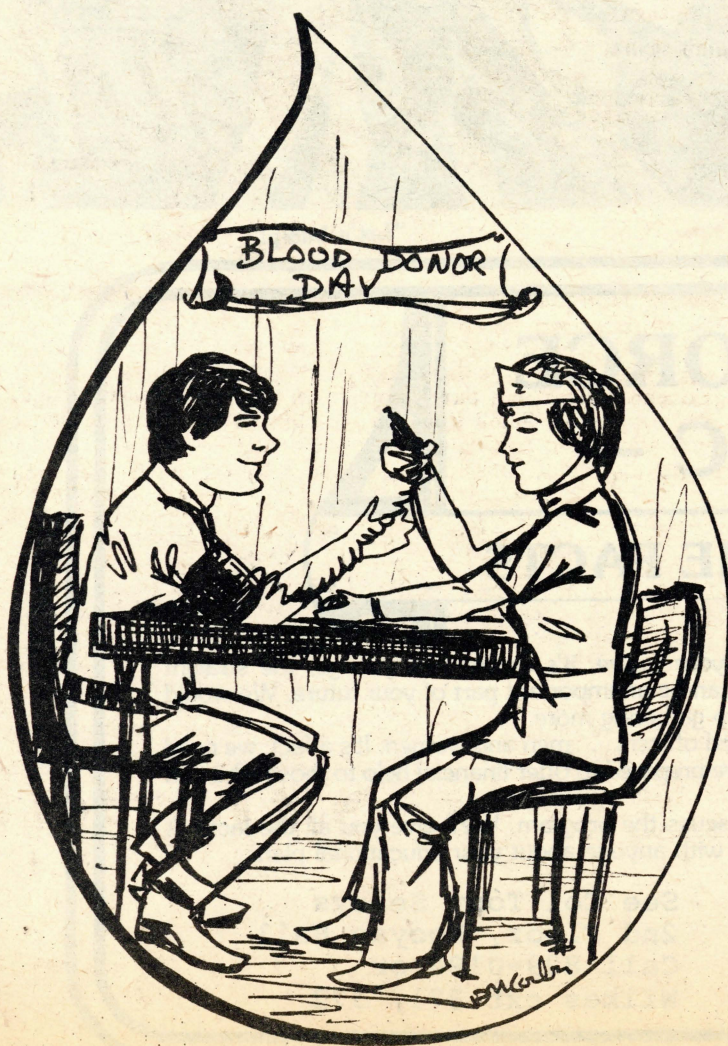
The final decision will rest with the President and notice will be given to the news media by the Public Relations Office for announcement on the 6 a.m. newscasts and those following, or newscasts beginning at 4 p.m.

In the event classes are cancelled, faculty will make arrangements with students concerning lost class time.

On The Cover

In front of Annette Evans Faculty House are two students, Kathy Bozinski and Joan Vorbach, who seem to be fighting the cold. Joan is winning by half a step. (Somewhere in this photo is a kitty cat. Can you find it?)

Photo is by Bob Gaetano (but he's not telling where the cat is).



Winter Weekend Had It s Ups And Downs



"Isn't life just one struggle..."



...after another?"

Review

'Incident At Vichy' Was Fine Performance

Gunshot. And then a meaningful silence suspended like the Nazi flags costuming the SUB during last week's performances of "Incident at Vichy." Sensitively directed by Leo Gambacorta, the meaningfulness of Arthur Miller's play was captured and executed not only through the actors' lines, but through the language of their bodies, and through silences as emblematic of Nazism as the Swastika.

The cool businessman's impatient thumb rubbing against his fingers; the groping, fumbling hands of the painter; the trembling of the meticulous fingers of Monceau; the cautiously nervous hands of the doctor and the electrician; the Prince's empathetic hands twisting his rings about his fingers; and the old Chassidic Jew's patient hands grasping God in his tallith. On stage, hands spoke the tension underlying each line of the play. In the audience, hands responded to a feeling broken only by applause.

Aesthetic distance was purposefully comprised by this feeling for the Jew, or for any victim unable to believe, yet afraid not to believe, that he is the victim. Separated only by a few feet and a degree of light, the audience and the actors waited together for a fate always known, but still questioned.

Question, fear, doubt, resistance, passivity—all were characterized spontaneously in the hands, voices and physiognomies of the players. Robert S. Fabbrini his countenance quivering and the soul of a man, emotionally portrayed a major who was wounded physically and mentally, but was anesthetized by the bottle. Monceau's articulate assuredness

was passionately denied in the expressive eyes of John Forte. Randy Smith, the doctor, roused a spirit unwilling to be the roach "stepped on in the dark." As Lebeau, Richard Cutler's body trembled with utterances of frustration.

Effective. Powerful. Moving. All individual performances were directed by precise, unwavering characterizations. Cue 'N' Curtain's presentation of "Incident at Vichy" lived the meaning of fine performance.

Lynn Sare

Happiness, like swimming, is a learning process.

This year's Winter Weekend can only be described as having its ups and downs. Some of the activities went over nicely while others didn't even get off the ground. It was for those people who participated, however, that enjoyed themselves.

The Square dance on Friday night started the weekend off with a real bang. About 200 students attended, participated, and enjoyed the music of Red Jones. This band is even being considered by Commuter Council for their Clam Bake in the spring.

On Saturday, the volleyball tournament received a greater turnout over last year's and was very organized. The one problem which kept many teams idle for some long periods of time was that there was only two nets set up versus the three nets utilized last year. Everyone seemed to be having a good time, even the little wrestling runs who ran circles around the tournament. The winning team was the Legatto II who received the grand prize of \$50.

The Tug of War contest was also successful and the winning team which walked away with a case of beer was the powerful team from the Hotel Sterling.

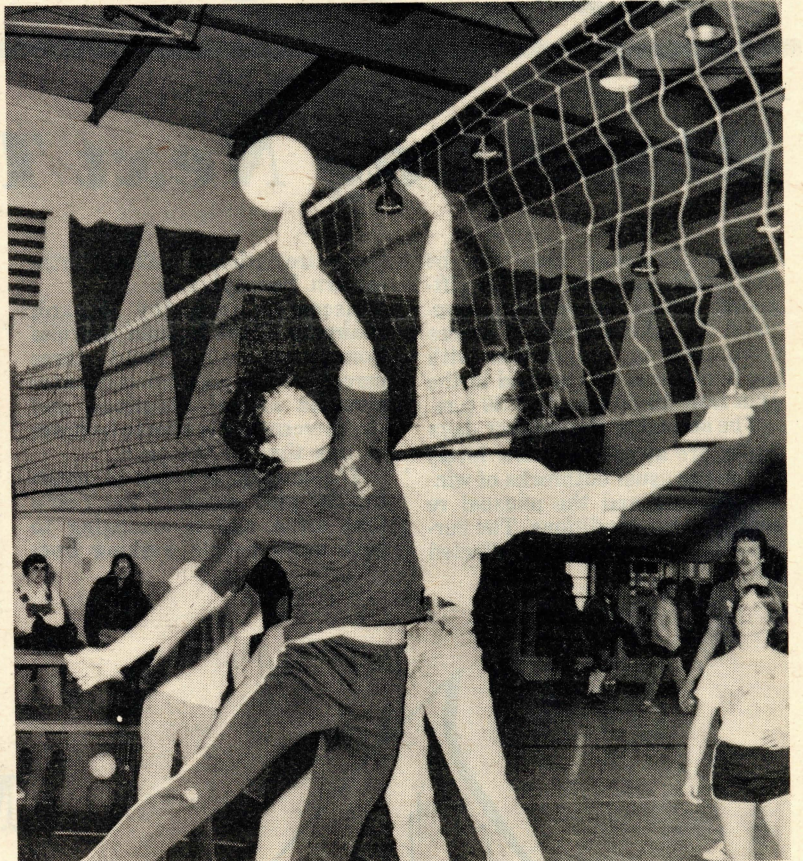
The Commuter Council team won the Round Robin activity by just showing up. CC members were very proud of themselves and boasting "we had the best time." This obstacle course event could have received more involvement if it was held on the river commons or in the lot next to the gym instead of Ralston field.

The Bavarian Festival that night was poorly attended with about 110 people who were in and out throughout the whole night. It seems that most people did not realize what type of party it was and what kind of food it had to offer. It was reported that there was a lot of good food left over.

On Sunday, the remaining Winter Weekend spirit seem to fizzle out as the Bingo in the cafeteria and the Perry Leopold concert were also poorly attended. The ice skating that night, however, ended the weekend on a good note as over 200 people took to the ice.

Kim Dubosky and John Senatore, Winter Weekend chairman, deserve mention of their many hours of work, time and effort into the annual affair. With the exception of Round Robin, all the activities were well organized and ran smoothly. It was only up to the student to take advantage of them.

Jim Edwards



"Let's bump!"

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CC Finalizes Plans To Sponsor Bus Trips

Plans for the three bus trips sponsored by Commuter Council were finalized at the meeting Monday afternoon. Tickets have been ordered and bus reservations have been made to see a 76er's basketball game, a New York Yankees baseball game, and a weekend fling in New York City.

The first trip has been scheduled for Sunday, where the 76er's will play against the Seattle Super Sonics. A bus will leave Wilkes-Barre at 10 a.m. for the 2 p.m. game. Tickets for the trip have been on sale in the Commons and Cafeteria all this week and price per person is \$14. The bus is limited to 42.

Cue 'N' Curtain is co-sponsoring the weekend trip to New York with the council. John Griffith, a member of both organizations, announced that tickets for the trip go on sale Monday in the Commons from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. The weekend is Feb. 24, 25, and 26 and reservations have been made at the Abbey Victoria Hotel which is located very close to the theater district in the city. The cost per person is \$34 which includes room, bus fare, and tips. This trip is only limited to 42 people too.

Tickets have been ordered for the New York Yankees game on April 15 against the Chicago White Sox, the second home game of the season for the Yankees. Tickets for this bus trip will be available in the near future and Louie DeRobertis, CC president, indicated that more than one bus may be planned allowing more students to go. "I've already been told that one whole dorm wants to go down," said DeRobertis.

For further information on any of these trips, students should contact any Commuter Council member.

Under other council matters, it was brought to the council's attention that parking over at the Temple lot has become a real problem. Because of the snow, the regular 40 space lot now has only room for 30 cars. DeRobertis also mentioned that just because a student received a parking

sticker for that lot does not mean he or she can park their car in such a manner as to block five other cars. Students with parking stickers may only park there if there is a space available. DeRobertis said "if this continues, we will have to find those commuters and revoke their stickers."

In related business, Diane Marcinko, CC treasurer, wanted to clarify a point that has seem to confuse some parents and students. Students who purchase Park & Lock monthly stickers for February, which will be the last month to do so (See related story), can not, repeat, can not park their cars in the Boston Store or Lazarus parking lots free

of charge. Park & Lock stickers are only good at Park & Lock South located across from the old Giant Supermarket.

Under old business, DeRobertis wanted to blast the Housing Office for allowing Bedford Hall to have a party the same night of the Bavarian Festival in the Commons during Winter Weekend. Bedford Hall's party hurt the attendance at the festival which resulted as being unsuccessful. This is the second time the Housing Office has given a dorm permission for a party which would compete against a Student Government activity.

Jim Edwards

Film Subscription Series Continues This Semester

The College's Community Film Subscription Series will continue through the spring semester with 14 major American films to be presented at the Dorothy Dickson Darte Center for the Performing Arts.

The screenings will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesdays, from Jan. 17 through April 25 in the C.P.A.

Each screening will be preceded by a mini-lecture discussing the stylistic and thematic conventions of the genre, and the film's significance as an expression of American culture. These mini-lectures will be presented by Dr. Michael Seitz, director of the film program.

The series will provide an opportunity to reconsider popular films produced during the heyday of the Hollywood studio system. Once regarded as mere popular entertainment, these films have been increasingly recognized by serious critics as most revealing expressions of American culture.

The five areas of film making to be covered include gangster films, "films noirs," westerns, musicals and horror films.

The gangster films include:

"Public Enemy," directed by William Wellman, 1931, Jan. 24 and "High Sierra," directed by Raoul Walsh, 1941, Jan. 31.

"Films Noirs" are "Double Indemnity," directed by Billy Wilder, 1944, Feb. 7; "The Killers," directed by Robert

NOTICE

Seniors interested in ordering pictures from Lynwood studios may do so from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays in the Amnicola Office, 1st floor Shawnee Hall, W. Northampton St. The sitting fee, if not paid, and 50 percent of the cost of the pictures must be paid at this time.

Students who do not wish to order pictures are asked to bring back proof for Yearbook glossy. There is no extra charge for this Black and White picture.

In order for the pictures to be included in the yearbook, it is necessary that all orders be made before Monday, February 27.

Students may also order their Senior pictures at Lynwood Studios, 45 Westminister St.

IDC Initiates Voting Rights For CC President DeRobertis

It was decided at the Inter-Dormitory Council meeting on Sunday night that Commuter Council President, Louie DeRobertis, should be a voting member of IDC from now on. The reason for this is that IDC President Tom Bazzini, is a voting member of Commuter Council.

Bazzini discussed the situation of student-advisor relationships. Since the majority present at the meeting agreed that the advisor situation could be improved in certain respects, there was a consensus that something should be done to find out the common problems.

Concerning the St. Valentine's Day party, it was announced that the SUB will be used. Live music,

beer, and food are planned, and about 250 tickets will be sold.

The washers and dryers are all free now. It was said that there has been some damage on the dryers in New Men's Dorm, and if it continues, the old system of paying will be reincorporated.

A new recording Secretary was elected at the meeting to replace Carla Sechrest who resigned because she is no longer a dorm student. Nancy Speiser, a sophomore nursing major, took over the position after the results were announced.

Joe V. Cribari

Apollo Moon Rocks To Be Exhibited In Sordoni Gallery

For those of you who still believe the moon is made of green cheese, now's your chance to see for yourself. An exhibition of space exploration materials, including a moon rock, will be on display from today until Tuesday in the Sordoni Art Gallery.

The exhibit, presented by the Wilkes chapter of Sigma Xi in cooperation with the Lackawanna Astronomical Society, also includes numerous examples of astrophotography taken by local astronomers.

In conjunction with the display will be a program Monday, Feb. 6 at 8 p.m. in SLC 101. Dr. Bruce Berryman will discuss highlights of the Apollo lunar landing missions, Brian Redmond will present current views on lunar geology, and if the sky is clear, a telescopic viewing of the night sky will also be included.

Much of the material in the exhibition is on loan from N.A.S.A. Apollo Lunar Projects Headquarters at Langley Air Force Base.

Hours for the exhibit are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. today, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. tomorrow (closed from noon to 1 p.m.), 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday and Monday, and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday.

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Tutors Needed For Upward Bound

Project Upward Bound, a federally funded program for qualified High School students is about to begin its 1978 Spring Session. Located on the campus of Wilkes College, Project Upward Bound offers High School students career and educational counseling as well as remedial and tutorial instruction.

P.U.B. is presently seeking individuals who are willing to

donate a few hours of their time each week to tutor the high school students. Tutors are needed for all major secondary education courses, particularly math, English, history and sciences.

Anyone interested in volunteering his time is asked to contact Jean Narcum, tutor coordinator at Ross Hall, or by calling Project Upward Bound at 824-4651 ext. 382.

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Editor's Note: The following letter was written by Doug Rubinstein, who recently left Wilkes to pursue other career goals. As Beacon advisor, he witnessed the trials and tribulations of the staff and wrote his observations and reflections, which he asked us to share with our readers.

Dear Editors:

I once stood on a hill top in Southeast Asia at dusk overlooking the devastated remains of a recently fought battle. There in the November twilight I walked amongst fallen friends and contemplated the human injustices of war. It was the first of many such experiences for me and I did not take to it easily -- no one really does. As I passed by a small stone erected by some Australian paratroopers enroute to the northern highlands. The grave was for an American comrade who served with me and was my friend. The inscription scrawled on the makeshift headstone read:

"Here lies Cpl. Aaron Lyons.

Those who did not know him need not read on.

Those who did know him need not be told.

This recollection returned to me the other day as I read your kind editorial and I decided I wanted to share the epitaph with you. I decided so, because in many ways we on The Beacon experienced the epitaph's message, for our relationship was not only one of mutual understanding by mutual respect as well. To that end, the aims of learning were truly served though somewhat invisible to the wholly uninvolved.

Perhaps, the 18th century prolific writings of the European classicist Goethe professed the philosophy most akin to my beliefs about teaching and learning. Goethe believed if people were treated as they were, they would remain as they were. But, if people were treated as they could be or wished to be, they would more than likely become what they could be or wished to be. Simplistic as that may seem, learning, like any other achievement, is based upon one's motivation and willingness to pay a price. Surprisingly, more often than not, that price is time and effort, both of which are often grossly ignored.

My letter herewith, therefore, is to express my gratitude for your sentiments. I choose not to accept your thanks. Not because your expression of appreciation was ill-conceived, but because it was misdirected. YOU paid the price of time and effort. YOU faced the challenges of learning; and it is YOU who deserve the thanks. At best a true educator can only lead a horse to water and inspire the animal to drink. "DRinking," however, is up to the horse. My thanks is felt in your learning, your growth, and your truly courageous confrontation with time and effort. You have entered the domain of knowledge and for better or worse, frustration or elation, gained the priceless understanding of the value and responsibility of freedom. Such a gift is note for me to give nor you to receive. It is a matter of achievement. Learning leads to freedom, for the results offer a greater understanding of self and others, and a quality of life that can only be relished from knowledge.

I am deeply grateful for having contributed to that end. After all, that is all I would ask of myself. And, as such, is all I could ever ask of you.

To Better Days,
Douglas J. Rubinstein

Forte Answers Black On Concert Issue

To The Editor:

Dearest Gregory,

You have accused me of being "a masterpiece example of one shooting off his mouth while not having a leg to stand on," when in fact you have depicted yourself. Do you know why you don't have a leg to stand on? it's because your feet are in your mouth.

You said my description of Sha Na Na was "totally prejudiced and narrow-minded", allow me to quote Mr. Randy Smith, a noted entertainer and graduate of Wilkes College, who attended the first Sha Na Na concert at Wilkes, "The best part of the Sha Na Na concert was David Fries warm-up". Mr. Smith also told me how Mr. Bowser, a member of Sha Na Na, repeatedly spit on the audience during the concert Gregory, if this is your idea of entertainment, your sick!

You also accused me of not being able to comprehend the complexities of the concert world; let's see how much water this fallacy can hold. For what the promoters refer to as "college concert price" I can obtain various well reputed jazzy bands, Bruce Springsteen, and others, not to mention greatly talented local bands like "Ralph".

Let me now clarify two points from my Dec. 9th article, which you excessively misconstrued; by offering Fleetwood Mac and the Tayler Brothers as possibilities I did not mean an evening of good music, not a hybrid of punk-rock and bubblegum. Also, the first Livingston Taylor concert was cancelled due to contract disputes, not bad sales as you have led the readers to believe; the

second concert was far from half attended, what with the orchestra pit filled to accomodate the lack of seats.

In closing let me restate the crux of my complaint, which you ignored; Gregory, why can a high school of 1200 provide an evening of good music at five dollars a ticket and a college of 2800 can't? are you doing your job?

Maybe your eyes have been opened to a degree now, Gregory, and I hope you'll use your better judgement before writing any more nonsense. (How does your foot taste, Gregory?)

Love,

Frank Forte

Price Is No Prob Says 'Landslide'

To The Editor:

As a student, I would like Greg Black to know that I would be willing to pay \$20-30 just to see Stevie Nicks at Wilkes.

Sincerely,
Fallen in a "Landslide"

NOTICE

The Intervarsity Christian Fellowship will have a large group meeting open to the whole campus on Sunday, Feb. 5 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. The meeting will be held in the Student Union Building.

Hard Work Pays Off

Commuter Council deserves to be commended for its efforts leading to an improved parking system, which will benefit commuters and even dorm students.

The work done by the council, particularly its Parking Committee, has resulted in a less expensive, more convenient arrangement at Park & Lock South on S. Main St. Students may now purchase a book of 20 tickets for ten dollars, and may use them until the end of the school year for any car they choose. Prior to this, a student who did not have a campus parking spot bought a monthly ticket for twelve dollars, to use

only until the end of the month for one car only. This proved to be a burden to students who wished to form car pools and was impractical for students who did not drive to school each day.

Commuter Council took the initiative to approach Wilkes-Barre Mayor Lisman and the Parking Authority to request that an alternate plan be made available to Wilkes students. Both the mayor's

interest and the diligence of the council were important factors in the parking improvement.

Past councils have always been concerned with the campus parking situation, but their efforts have usually involved only the prevention of rate increases. It should be noted that this year's council had the motivation and interest to devise and promote an entirely new concept without stubbornly adhering to established methods.

It was rewarded with an actual decrease in parking rates, one of the few financial breaks students get these days.

Commuter Council has this year taken a refreshingly active and concerned approach to its campus responsibilities. Although it does not always accomplish as much as it hopes, it has still been the agent for new ideas and changes, and has proved to be the most effective and innovative Commuter Council we have seen at Wilkes. We hope it will retain its enthusiasm for many years to come.

'Incident at Vichy' Director Very Upset Over No Show By Trustees

To The Editor:

Last week Cue 'n' Curtain sponsored a production of Arthur Miller's "Incident at Vichy." As the director of this production I would like to take this opportunity to thank the officials of Student Government and the Student Union Board for their cooperation.

The actual purpose of this letter is to make the students of Wilkes College aware of the sad state of decay which is rampant in the hierarchy of their college. On Thursday evening of production week there was a preview performance for which each of the members of the Board of Trustees received a personal invitation. The result was that not one member of the Board of Trustees attended Thursday night or, to the best of my knowledge, any other night, however, a few regrets were expressed. I do not wish to, but I see no alternative than to take this as a personal insult to both my cast and myself.

In view of this response, or lack of response, it is surprising that it is the Board of Trustees that exerts pressure on the "decision makers" of the college to maintain the status quo, regardless of its mediocrity.

I maintain that "Incident at Vichy" has proven the desire, if not the need, for a vital theater program. The cast spent many hours in rehearsal, mostly during vacation. The production was a success by anyone's standards; a statement which I am prepared to defend.

I think it is time that the Board of Trustees should demonstrate its concern for the well-being of the students by giving the power of decision to those best qualified to use it. I, for one, will not settle for mediocrity.

Sincerely,
Leo Gambacorta

NO SMOKING

By Tex and Fritz

Hello Scooping fans.

Winter Weekend, say no more!

So, Karen P., we hear you set up camp in the Caf just so you could eat lunch, play bingo and then be there ready to start supper. Scoop has it that the St. Mary Bingo-ettes have requested your presence at their next bingo marathon. Get your markers ready, Polumsky.

Lou, you didn't do too bad either. We hear you're offering little girls candy on the street now. Watch it, Lou, remember this famous quotation from our own James Eiden, "Many are called, but few holler BINGO!" Billy Graham would like that one, Jim!

The Square Dance proved great grounds for scooping. As Tex and I perched high atop the basketball nets -- incognito (ha, you thought those wer stranded basketballs!) We witnessed W.C.'s own version of Hee-Haw's Hootenanny! Yee-haw! If I were a freshman from Sullivan, I'd take the first one-way flight out of W-B, as far as I could go. But, of course, from the looks of things, you girls probably don't remember much. Which, then, of course, is probably all for the best.

Sue M. and Maria M. had bestowed upon them, by Roy Clark, the "Hoe-Down Honies" Award of the Evening. And are you ready for this girls -- I bet you didn't think your antics at the square dance would come to this (by the way, this info has not yet been revealed to anyone). Dean B. has reserved an hour during commencement activities for you squares to perform your highly perfected do-se-dos. But we all know your do-se's-don't!

The snow sculpting award (yes, we did have a contest, contrary to popular belief) went to Matilda Hornswagger of Akron, Ohio. We'd like to thank Tillie for that wonderful aerial view photograph of her toilet seat sculpted in snow. Mr. Senatore, after thanking Tillie for the photograph and sending her a case of beer, has scheduled Tillie in the next Concert and Lecture Series. She will be lecturing on "Everything You Wanted To Know About Snow Sculpting, But Were Too Cold To Care," sometime in July. We hope everyone will be there, if the weather holds out.

Gene -- you know, that agile wrestler, really showed his athletic finesse Sunday night at Coal Street. Don't worry, Gene, we won't reveal what really happened. We'll let it SLIDE so to speak.

"Hey, Tex, did you hear about the big scandal in Punxsutawney?"

"God bless you, Fritz."

"No, I didn't sneeze. That's where the ground hog was supposed to see his shadow."

"Oh yea, Shallow Larynx has been out there for days, disguised as a shadow trying to confuse that ground hog."

"Well, S.L. scooped out that little g.h. and came up with some great scoops. It seems that the famous ground hog was found stiffer than a board, lying on his bear skin rug under his pool table with his frozen little paws clutching a frosty martini. The coroner's report stated, "Death due to overdose of anti-freeze." But don't worry, g.h. fans, he died a painless death.

Ahh, the woes of fame and fortune."

So we can now conclude that the ground hog that did not come out of the burrow was only a decoy. You see, the late, but still famous ground hog did not want to let the American Public down, especially the Punxsutawnyans. To quote another famous ground hog, "Thanks for the memories."

And on that note, Tex and Fritz are signing off. Stay tuned next week when we answer that question, "Who is Matilda Hornswagger and what is she really doing in Akron, Ohio?" Keep those scoops and letters coming.

G.W.S
T and F

Black's Rebutal Surprises Janquitto

To The Editor:

I was suprised to see that Mr. Black did not benefit from Frank Forte's constructive criticism regarding the concert situation here at Wilkes College. Obviously suffering from tunnel vision, (a common affliction here in beautiful Wyoming Valley) Mr. Black rebutted the honorable Forte's letter in a manner akin to his taste in music. Nevertheless, the purpose of this letter is to support Mr. Forte and to give a quietus to the rumors concerning his sanity.

Yours in learning,

Andy Janquitto

Coverage Criticized As 'Wrestling Annual'

To The Editor:

Since when has The Beacon sports page turned into the Wilkes College wrestling annual. For the past few weeks, we've had wrestling pictures and articles shoved down our throats. You know, there is a swim team and men's and women's basketball teams here too.

Sincerely,
Chief Jay Strongbow

Students Gain Experience Serving As Coordinators

During the four years which comprise the usual college experience, an individual must learn all that he or she can from books and classes.

Yet there are many things that need to be learned that cannot be found in books. A nurse cannot actually experience a patient's pain and suffering until she has been in a hospital. A social worker can only fully understand a family's problems when working with them, and a teacher learns the true meaning of patience and understanding when working with a student, whether a child or an adult.

For two Wilkes coeds, Linda Lombardo of Pittston and Sharon Zawatski of Wilkes-Barre, the first-hand experience they have gained in their work with the Volunteers for Literacy has been a valuable teacher.

The two girls are working in the program as they are on the Community Service program this year.

Linda, a junior elementary education and Community Service major, is serving as ESOL coordinator. ESOL (English Speaking Other Languages) is a program designed to teach the English language to children and adults who speak foreign languages but wish to learn English.

At present there are ten students, most of whom are adults, speaking Spanish and Vietnamese, and who come from all walks of life. The students are working with tutors to gain proficiency in the English language.

The men and women who serve as tutors also come from different areas of life. They are housewives and some hired teachers, others are high school and college students but all are people who wish to help other people.

"The first-hand experience is valuable, it can help you to understand a student's," stated Linda "You learn patience and understanding and apply some of what you read about in textbooks."

The people are referred to the program through different social organizations and agencies including the YM-YWCA Mental Health and Keystone Job Corps.

At a 15-hour workshop that was held at the Volunteers for Literacy offices located in Ross Hall, eight new tutors were trained. Another workshop is slated for March. If you are interested in tutoring a student, the number is 824-4651, ext. 389.



PROGRAM COORDINATORS

Linda Lombardo, left and Sharon Zawatski, right, both feel that the first-hand experience they are gaining through their work with the ESOL and BASIC programs are enabling them to see the needs of students and better understand the ways to help them.

Sharon Zawatski, a senior elementary education and Community Service major, is coordinator of the BASIC program, which is designed to teach the basic skills of reading and writing to illiterate adults.

The technique used is known as the Laubach method, originally formulated by Dr. Frank Laubach who started his work in the Philippines.

"There are five skillbooks used," explained Sharon, "the first is a primer, and the remaining four books help the student to gain mastery at a fifth grade level. At the end of each skillbook is a list of words that the student is tested on."

At present, there are 25 students working with tutors, with six students still needing tutors.

The Wilkes-Barre resident believes she can learn the students needs better through working with them directly. With today's schools being asked "why Johnny can't read or write", programs like BASIC are necessary and vital. The skills learned in reading and writing enable the individual to write and answer letters, fill out job applications and read a newspaper.

The Volunteer for Literacy program, which has been in operation for 15 months, is affiliated with the Center for Literacy in Philadelphia and Laubach Literacy in Syracuse, New York. The national organization is the NALA (National Affiliation for Literacy Advancement).

The ESOL and BASIC offices here at Wilkes are housed in the Academic Skills Center in Ross Hall. The supervisors are Dr. George Siles and Ms. Mary Kane. There is also a council advisory board composed of people from the Junior League of Women, The Luzerne County Intermediate Unit, St. Michael's School, and Osterhout Library. The council's main purpose is to raise community support for the program and to insure a continuation for the worthwhile cause.

An Easy-reading table has also been set up in the Osterhout Library for the students.

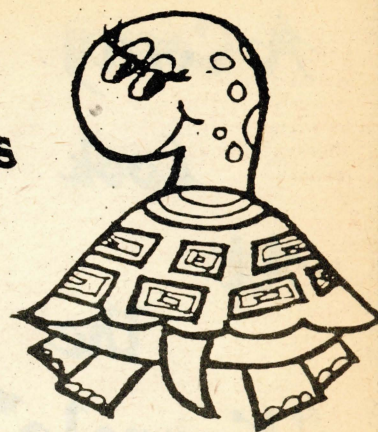
While the ESOL and Basic programs have received much attention via radio, television and newspaper, there is still a demand for tutors. Regardless of class year or major, any Wilkes student or faculty member is eligible to work with the students. With the existence of such programs, perhaps an answer will be found to "why can't Johnny read or write" or someone cannot communicate enough to meet life's daily needs.

Mary Stencavage

Mind Designs

By

Pam Long



Tough Stuff

Billy Clyde Puckett (Burt Reynolds) and split end Shake Tiller (Kris Kristofferson) have come to life and are "back in the saddle again." Strangely enough, the two galloping gridmen don't seem to be riding as high as might be expected.

The two playboys and their obscene girlfriend, Barbara Jane Bookman (Jill Clayburgh), are representative mutations of Dan Jenkins' novel "Semi-Tough." However, this Michael Ritchie film version seems rather an incomplete pass than a touchdown for success!

The story, which is only half-heartedly concerned with football, revolves around the adventures of the three and a special quest for "the force," this time manifested as BEAT. BEAT, however, has appendages in the forms of several other ridiculous rituals including Pyramid Power (a guaranteed bedroom success), pelfing, and a knee-crawling exercise called Movigenics.

Shake, a fumbled role by Kristofferson, resolves to convert Barbara Jane to the mystical, unexplainable BEAT prior to their marriage. What follows is a 48-hour seminar in which B.J. (Barbara Jane) takes part, only to find that Billy Clyde has done the same. These two just can't seem to penetrate BEAT and so decide to punt. Ol' Shake senses that Barbara Jane hasn't got "IT" and their marriage ends up a stalemate with a disaster-at-the-altar scene included. Obviously Billy Clyde, who also has a bad case of "Barbara Jane," should have been the groom.

Contrary to Kristofferson, who plays a droll role as though it must be droll, is the Mean Machine, reincarnated Billy Clyde Puckett. This time Burt Reynolds, instead of being mean on the field, is mean in the bedroom, get the drift? As usual, Billy Clyde will do anything for a one-nighter resulting in his seduction of a really "big" woman under the pretense that big women have "big feelings." The scene is immediately harsh as well as cruel.

Kristofferson pulls off sides with his announcement to Reynolds of his intentions to marry B.J. The incident takes place in a john where Billy Clyde has retired to compose his novel about the team. This scene is also one which enables Reynolds to walk away with the movie and proves his talent as a successful comedian.

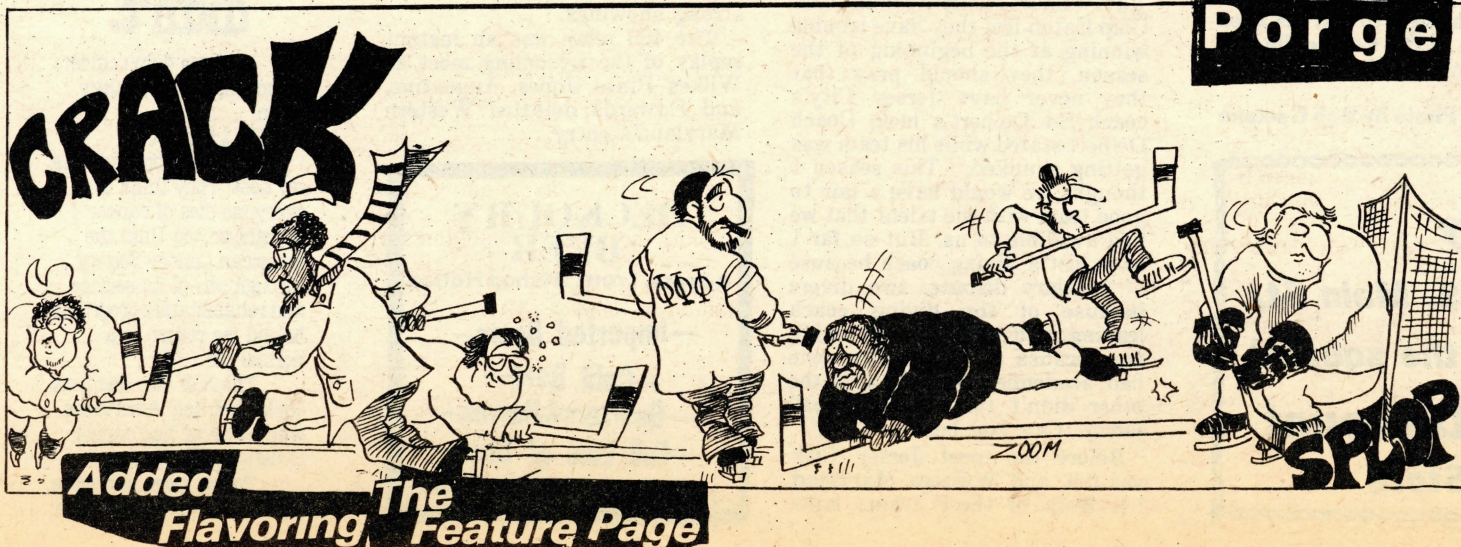
Barbara Jane, who comes on as a rough-talking, profane playgirl, doesn't seem to have "IT" in more ways than one. Not a real woman at all, B.J. seems rather a little toss-about, inept in the role she attempts to portray. Robert Preston, her big-talking, rich daddy, finds it peculiar that his daughter lives with two football players but doesn't sleep with them, "it ain't natural" he concludes. Preston might have done better as the perpetrator of BEAT as he delivers sermons rather than dialogue. His daughter might perhaps have made it big as a showy Dallas cheerleader rather than as the male-controlling dictator she apparently is not.

The Miami team inevitably wins the Super Bowl as they've got Billy Clyde and Shake on their side, naturally. Besides the team, the real winner in the movie is Reynolds. He seems the only one with any genuine ability is his type-cast role, and the true hero of a movie which might continue to lose yardage as a real success.

NOTICE

Cue 'n' Curtain is sponsoring a pizza sale today in the SUB from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Deliveries will be made. Pizza is 25 cents a cut.

A seminar, "Advanced Programming Techniques in BASIC," sponsored by the Computer Club, will be held Wednesday, Feb. 8 at 7:30 p.m. in SLC 424.



A-Corny Look At The "Kernels"



by jeff acornley

Phillies Caravan Very Entertaining In CPA Program

Baseball's the game and the Philadelphia Phillies and Wilkes College is the name! That was the story when the Phillies Caravan visited the college campus on Wednesday morning.

The Annual Phillies winter press caravan put on a showing at the CPA for the benefit of the students and faculty of Wilkes as well as the general public. The stop was sponsored by the Wilkes baseball team under the direction of coach Gene Domzalski.

One dollar was charged by the club with the funds going into the Wilkes Baseball Fund. They will probably be used toward financing the Southern Swing.

"That trip down South every year is really important to our club," stated Domzalski. "This, coupled with the profits from the parking lots and the raffle tickets will just about cover our expenses."

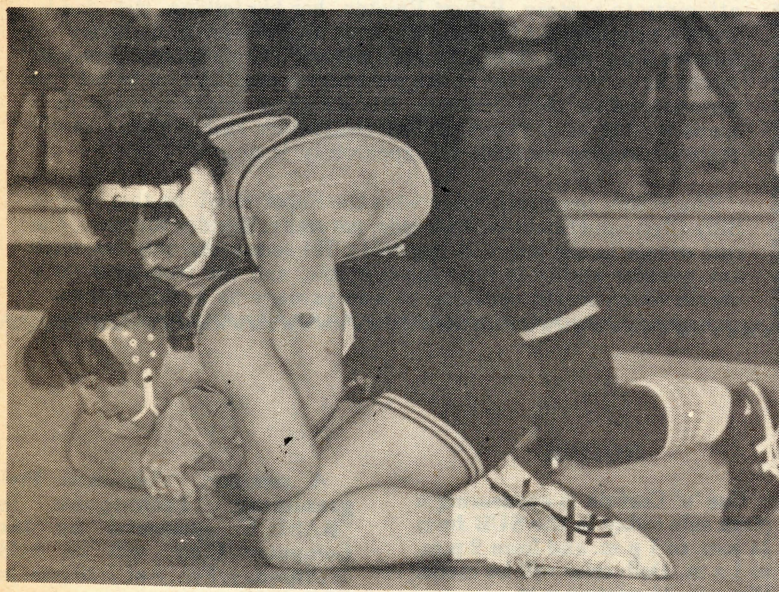
The gathering had a press conference format at the beginning with Wilkes students serving on the panel. Doreen Swiatek (who looks a lot better in Larry Christiansen's jersey than he does). Bill Hockenbury, Eddie White, and myself were the members of the questioning panel.

Topics such as: women in the lockerroom; Phillies trade rumors; what players do in the clubhouse during a rain delay; and the effect of Polish meat on power hitting were among the many discussed.

Phillies players Greg Luzinski, Bob Boone, and Tim McCarver as well as Manager Danny Ozark, General Manager Paul Owens, Bill Giles, and Phillies Announcer Harry Kalas were in attendance.

After the press conference, the film titled "Unfinished Business" was shown. It depicted the Phillies 1977 season as well as their commitment to the future of the club.

After the program, several of the personalities were available in the lobby for an autograph session.



THE JACOBS JINGLE- Seeing Denny Jacobs back on the Wilkes mats again has to be sweet music for Wilkes wrestling mentor John Reese. The outstanding sophomore has been hit by the injury bug-a-boo both this season and last.

His return to the lineup enabled Perry Lichtinger to rest his knee and it also fortifies the depth of the Colonel lineup. Just don't mention "shoulder" to Denny and he'll be singing the jingle.

Photo by Bob Gaetano

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Women Lose Offensive Battle

The women's basketball team dropped its sixth game of the season last Saturday, losing a fast and furious high-scoring game to Delaware Valley, 94-86.

The see-saw battle saw Wilkes take a 46-38 half-time lead, only to be outscored 56-40 in the second period.

The game started badly for the Colonelettes, as Del Val took the tapoff, scored, recovered a Wilkes turnover and scored again, leaving the Blue and Gold down by four before they even attempted to shoot. The cagers battled back, however, and the action took on a fast pace that was to characterize the whole game.

Obviously not a defensive battle, both teams scored almost at will, but Wilkes' turnovers hurt the Colonelettes, especially in the first half. Excellent defensive plays were often for naught, as the cagers gave up the ball before scoring, due to bad passes and violations.

The full-court press, which in the past has proved to be an effective weapon for Wilkes, stopped Del Val only for a short time. Before long the Colonelettes failed to execute the play well, and Del Val found out how to break it after their initial surprise wore off. It was then relatively easy for them to score against an unprepared, short-handed defense.

Wilkes and Del Val continued to exchange baskets and the lead during the first period, until the Colonelettes pulled out in front by 12. Del Val had time for only a short comeback before the half ended with Wilkes ahead by eight.

The second half seemed a repeat of the first and the Colonelettes held on to their lead for about half of the period. However, mistakes again plagued the team. Turnovers continued to hurt the offense, and fouls soon became critical. Wilkes fouled out one player, and three others finished with four, but the real damage came at the Del Val foul line. Blessed with a bonus situation early in the half, the opposition sent their best shooter consistently to the line. Wilkes' 29 fouls gave Del Val 36 shots, and they capitalized on 22

of them, 16 at critical moments in the second half.

Del Val tied the game and then proceeded to slowly but surely build their own lead. Wilkes' comeback efforts were again hampered by fouls and turnovers, and the cagers watched their eight point half-time lead turn into an eight point win for Del Val.

Three Wilkes cagers hit double figures in the losing effort. Diane Kendig, now averaging 22.4 points per game, scored 26, while Mary Jo Frail hit her season high with 20 and Gloria Pasternick added 16.

The Colonelettes, now 2-6, played Susquehanna at home Wednesday, their first home game in 53 days. Results were not available at press time. Wilkes takes on Muhlenberg tonight at Muhlenberg, and will play Lycoming tomorrow at 6 p.m. at home.

RIM SHOTS -- While only three players hit double numbers during the Del Val game, everyone "shot" double figures on the way home ... coin collecting will soon be a favorite hobby with team members, but the collection will be limited to quarters ... Karen Olney and Mary Jo Frail will be out to defend their tag team air hockey title when the team travels to Delaware Valley for the MAC tournament ... Lynn Yedlock, who sprained an ankle doing what she called a "Dr. J rebound," will soon be back in the lineup ... the Colonelettes are averaging 67.75 points per game, but the opposition is averaging 79.25. However, the first four games of the "second season," all away games, have seen the Blue and Gold averaging 75.5 ... maybe the plays should have names rather than numbers because when you have people who say, "69 or 96, it's all the same," you could have problems ... how about having plays like, "low spade, high diamond and all sixes?" ... at least the girls have their hearts in the right places -- they all wanted to "give Diane Kendig a hand" ... Nancy Johnson, Mary Jo Frail and Karen Olney are all in the running for the "Beat the Bench" best-dressed award, although Karen's claiming she's ahead by a stickpin and a handkerchief ... and finally, Karen Smith asked to be mentioned.

Wilma Hurst

BEACON SPORTS

Two Out Of Three Ain't Bad

Last Wednesday, the Wilkes College Swimming Team defeated Lycoming, 56-47.

The 400 free relay was almost a breeze for the Wilkes unit as they picked up another first place to put in their hat. This unit consists of Tony Pinto, Jim Edwards, Jeff Jones, and Kevin Augustine.

One person in the MAC who strikes fear in the hearts of her opponents is Cindy Glawe. Cindy is an MAC diving champ and if all goes well, she may well take honors again this season.

It was an excellent all out effort for the Wilkes team and coach Ken Turley must be happy for this first victory of the season in the MAC.

Wilkes tallied three first places, eight second places, and six third places against Lycoming.

In the tri-meet on Saturday, Wilkes hosted Western Maryland and Jersey City at the King's College pool. Western Maryland won the meet with a total of 87 points. Wilkes finished second with 72 and Jersey City limped in with a total of only 12 team points.

If Wilkes' Rollie Schmidt and Chip Eaton feel they have trouble winning at the beginning of the season, they should pray that they never have Jersey City's coach Ed Delbert's luck. Coach Delbert stated while his team was getting skunked, "This season I thought we would have a fair to good team with the talent that we had available to us. But so far I have lost a diving coach because of a salary dispute, two divers because of the diving coach leaving, and two excellent swimmers because of ineligibility; one had academic problems and the other didn't turn in a football jersey. Can you believe That?"

Before the meet Jersey City was 0-9, and Western Maryland 2-4. Both of these teams have

their own facilities.

In this meet, Wilkes took command in the 400 IM right from the start as they defeated two Western Maryland teams. Jersey City had no entry in this event nor in many of the others to follow because they only had three swimmers on the entire team. John Moffatt, Rob Doty, Tony Pinto, and Bill Manley were the members of this victorious team.

In the 100 yard freestyle, Wilkes Jeff Boberick broke the ice as he became the only swimmer on the Wilkes team to pick up a first place over Western Maryland.

Kevin Augustine of Wilkes just narrowly missed a first place by a stroke in the 200 yard back stroke.

The 500 free style was won by Rick Benitz of W.M., but Wilkes swimmers Boberick and Betsy Iscovitz did not give it to Benitz on a silver platter.

The 200 breast stroke event was won by another Western Marylander, Jim Tarr. Jim Edwards and Rob Doty finished second and third for Wilkes with strong showings.

The 400 relay was an instant replay of the Lycoming meet as Wilkes' Pinto, Jones, Augustine, and Edwards defeated Western Maryland's entry.

Wilkes' Cindy Glawe took both required and optional diving events hands down over all of the Western Maryland divers.

"A special thanks should be noted to King's College for letting us use their facilities for this tri-meet today," commented Wilkes coach Ken Turley.

Tomorrow Wilkes hosts Lycoming at 4 p.m. at Carpenter Hall at Wyoming Seminary. Wilkes is also the guests of King's next Wednesday, Feb. 8 at 7 p.m.

Bob Ausura

There will be a meeting of the Women's Varsity Volleyball Team on Thursday, February 9 at 11:00 a.m. in Weckesser Annex.

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Cagers Would Play A Lifetime For Wins

Between losses to Lycoming last Friday, 81-66, and Albright 71-61, on Monday, the Wilkes College basketball team was supposed to play Delaware Valley on Saturday night.

Oh, they did play in Doylestown that night. Not a game, but a lifetime. The Colonels and Delaware Valley went at it in a four-overtime thriller with the Blue and Gold coming out on top with a 75-74 victory.

Senior guard Nick Holgash tallied all of his ten points in the overtime periods and carried Wilkes after John Zapko and Terry Schoen fouled out.

After Delaware Valley has held a 10-point lead at the half, 29-19, Zapko hit a jumper at 2:49 to give Wilkes a 54-52 advantage. The Aggies' Mark Werkhiser hit a bucket at 2:12 to send the game into the first extra period. The first OT ended after each team had only scored one basket, 56-56.

The teams traded two point leads in the second OT, until Werkhiser was fouled while putting in a bucket. He missed the chance for a three-point play, and Holgash hit a 25-footer with :05 left and they headed into the third overtime period.

The Aggies opened up a four-point crest in the third OT at 70-66 on two Werkhiser free throws. George Oschal hit the next two buckets for Wilkes, the latter coming at 14 seconds to tie it at 70 apiece.

Wilkes took a three-point lead, 73-70, with 2:37 remaining in the fourth and final overtime on two Kenny Hughes free throws. After Del Val scored, Werkhiser again scored and again missed a chance for a three-point play. Holgash hit another 20-footer with 22 seconds remaining and Wilkes could finally go home with their hard-fought 75-74 win.

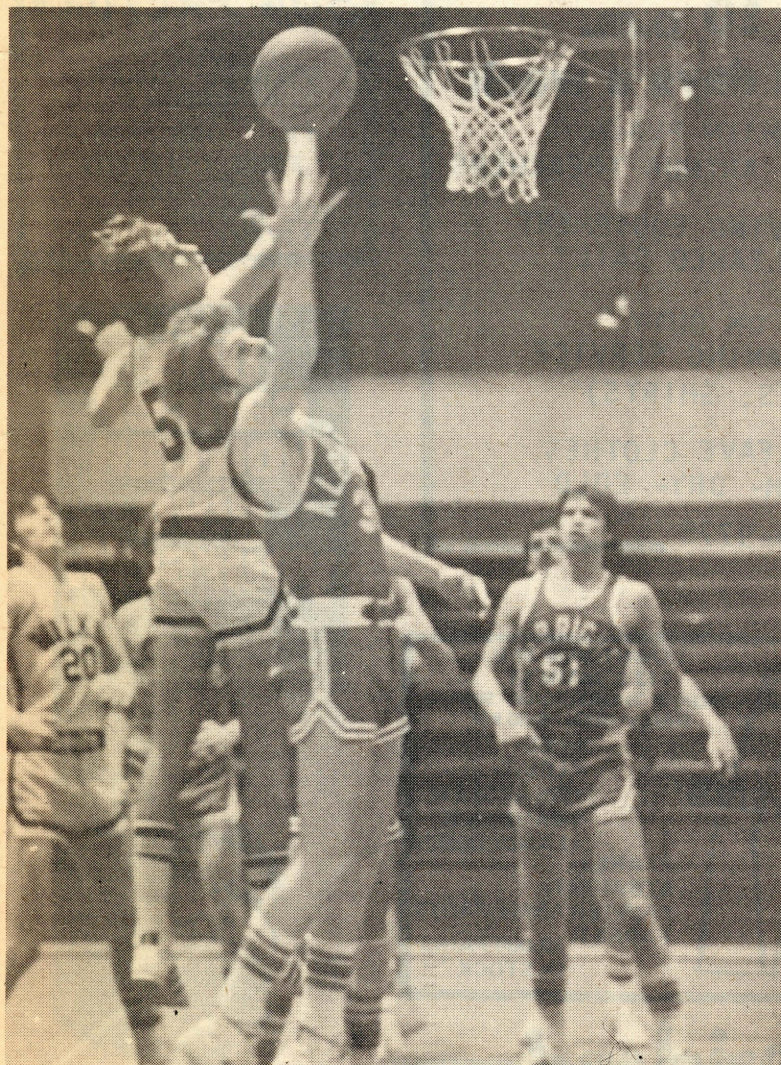
Holgash said after the game, "It was just something that happened. We wouldn't quit!" Coach Rodger Bearde, with some more gray hairs after the overtime circus commented, "There was no way we were going to lose this game. We would not die!"

On Monday night, Wilkes returned home for the first time in 55 days, which is a story in itself. The home court advantage didn't help as the Blue and Gold were beaten by Albright 71-61 in an MAC tilt. Zapko had 13 points for Wilkes, while Mike McCarrie hit for 12, and Oschal had 10. Zap also had 12 rebounds while Holgash was passing out 6 assists.

The Colonels, now 4-9 overall and 2-4 in the MAC, will host Lycoming College on Saturday night at 8:15 at the Franklin Street gym.

TIP INS: WCLH, under the guidance of newly appointed sports director Gary Mack, will broadcast some Wilkes winter athletic events. The schedule so far includes basketball, Scranton, Feb. 14; basketball-wrestling doubleheader, Franklin and Marshall, Juniata, Feb. 18; woman's basketball, Misericordia, Feb. 21; and wrestling, Penn State, Feb. 22...Rich Nordheim will handle the wrestling chores, while Mack and Eddie White do basketball...Nick Holgash does like rock and roll music, its rock and roll at "Duh U" that bugs him...A tip of the hat goes out to cheerleader Donna Davis, who is out of action with a leg injury suffered after she fell from the top of a pyramid during practice.

Eddie White



A BASKETBALL PICTURE- Well it's about time. The Colonels outrageous cage schedule has prohibited the Beacon photographer from catching the Colonels in action.

John "Big Z" Zapko goes over the top for a rebound during one of the few home games. The Colonels were away from home so long, they forgot where the showers are.

Photo by Bob Gaetano



THE SILVER ANNIVERSARY TEAM- During ceremonies prior to the Colonel wrestling match with Lycoming last Saturday, engraved plaques were presented to the former members of John Reese's Wilkes wrestling squads. These are the most outstanding wrestlers during Reese's 25 year stint at

Wilkes.

First row: Brooke Yeager, John Marfia, John Chakmakas, Art Trovei, Mike Lee, and Joe Weindl.

Second row: John Reese, John Carr, Jim Weisenfluh, Marv Antinnes, Ron Fritts, Alain Arnould, and Tim McGINLEY.

Photo by Bob Gaetano

Grapplers Enjoying 5-Meet Streak; Prepared For Week-Long Road Trip

It is the best of times for the Wilkes College grapplers. The Colonels took no prisoners last week as they slammed both Elizabethtown and Lycoming. The double victories upped their record to 8-4-1 as they move to within a month of the Eastern Tournament.

Momentum is the key word in the Colonel camp right now. After the stiff challenges of the early-season schedule, the Wilkesmen are enjoying somewhat of a soft-spot currently. Coach John Reese hopes that during this time, confidence and momentum can be instilled in the troops as they push for a peak performance during the first weekend in March.

After a somewhat queezy beginning, the Colonels rebounded ferociously during their 45-3 blowout of Elizabethtown College last Wednesday night.

Ed Johnson was extended to the limits as he fashioned an escape and a takedown in the final 20 seconds of the match to earn a 12-11 win over Barry Belfko. Bryan Billig furthered the Colonel cause when he clamped Tom Haynowski in 1:20.

Alex Grohol saw his lead disappear when Jude Barvinchak registered a five-point move midway through the final period and earn a 12-10 victory over the Wilkes junior.

But, they were to be the only points that Elizabethtown would see on their side of the scoreboard for the rest of the night as Casper Tortella started a streak of seven Wilkes victories in a row. His 13-3 win was followed by Mark Densberger's artistry. The 150 pound sophomore used every move in the book to rack up a 27-3 superior decision.

Co-captain Greg MacLean added six more points when he showed Bill Chapman the gym upside down in 5:35. Denny Jacobs then followed with a lopsided 14-3 win. Jacobs has just begun to work himself back

into shape after an early-season shoulder injury. He is replacing Perry Lichtinger in the 167 slot because of problems with Perry's knee.

Dave Gregrow's 20-0 massacre was sandwiched between two default wins by Gene Clemons and Danny House.

On Saturday, amidst the excitement and nostalgia of the Silver Anniversary celebration, the Colonels had time to destroy Lycoming in front of a large home crowd.

Despite the cheers of "Zoomy, Zoomy," Colonel freshman Dung Chi Duong could not turn the trick in his initial performance as a Wilkes grappler. He was pinned in 2:37 by undefeated Russ Granato. The Colonels were not to lose another match until Greg MacLean was edged 7-5 in a very controversial match at 158. That one was followed immediately with some more fireworks in the 167 bout as Denny Jacobs won by an 8-7 score. The other close call saw Danny House need a riding time point to edge Dick Driver, 7-6.

Bryan Billig, Alex Grohol, Casper Tortella, and Dave Gregrow all registered solid wins while Mark Densberger and Gene Clemons scored big with pins.

Grohol broke his nose and separated his shoulder during his bout and it is not known how long he will remain out of the lineup.

Also during the week, the JV team of Brooke Yeager trounced LCCC, 42-5. Bill Dodge, Joe Napoli, Jim Kachidurian, Andy Jankuitto, Dan Miner, Mike Sachetella, Joe Gray, and Doug Drescher were the winners for the Colonels.

The Colonels are on the road all this week with matches at Binghamton State last Wednesday, Hofstra tomorrow, and East Stroudsburg this Tuesday.

Jeff Acornley

Softee-Mania Sweeps Wilkes Campus

The Son of Softee, after an opening defeat at the hands of Organizations, have gotten rolling and are now very serious contender for the IM crown. Their 3-1 log to date has inspired previously apathetic students around campus to become caught up in what guard Bob "Boog" Brezinski calls "The greatest thing since toilet paper," SOFTEE-MANIA.

Bruce Douglas, one of the original Sons of Softee, (the team originated in 1974 when Bruce was a junior) reports that sales of Softee memorabilia have already surpassed those of the "I am not a loser" buttons which Bob Owens was selling at this time a year ago.

In their latest win, Rich Abrams, Greg Wild and Brezinski all scored in double figures as Softee stalled the Jets, (Dave Dudick, 19 pts.) 55-51.

Another team challenging the still undefeated "Organizations" is Canadian Club, whose recent turnaround has been marked by a pair of two point wins. The first victory was over the Humdinger's (John Cavanaugh, 21 pts.) in real ripsnorter, 51-49, with Carl

Holsberger leading the balanced scoring attack with 16. The latest victim was the Jets, who, despite a 25 point outburst by Ken Sickler were nipped by the Club, 67-65.

Canadian Club Coach Mark Rado, who has come to be called "The Great Guy" due to his hilarious sideline antics during games, told reporters that "The absence of Bob Ausura from our line-up has definitely been a plus for us, and the other reason for our success of late is that we never shoot unless we have the ball."

In other "A" league action, league leading scorer "Pistol" Pete Cosgrove (25 ppg.) went one above his average (which adds up to 26 if you're counting) to lead the Bombers (3-1) over Priapus, 67-51.

In the "B" league, the Buckaroos have emerged to challenge top ranked "Stars & Bars." The Bucks were taking no prisoners as they crushed the Harriers, 74-34. Buckaroo Bernie Wellicka was the game's high scorer with 19 while high scoring Harrier Dave Boris was held to 11.

FOUL SHOTS

You might have noticed that the Jets, a team who placed high in the pre-season ratings, have been getting beat by everyone. Jet guard Scott Kendig feels that "Our inability to score more points than our opponents has been a big reason for our thus far dreary season." Indeed, after an easy opening night win, the Jets went on the snatch defeat from the jaws of victory in their next three games, displaying new ways to blow halftime leads in each of them. It appears, though, that the Jets have the firepower to pull it together, and could be the Cinderella team once play-offs begin... Here's a partial score, Polish Falcons - 61... In a meeting earlier this week, league officials were informed that the player on the Gore Hall basketball team had voted unanimously to fire their head coach, Dave Yakaitis. Al Molero, spokesman for the team, defended the decision claiming "He must be daft! He suggested to the team that we might have a better chance of finally winning a game if we started showing up."

Bob Welsh

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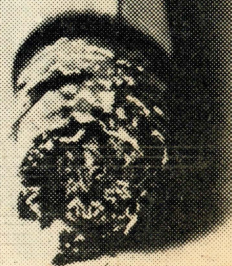
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